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Dear Sir/Madam:

Applicants received an official Filing Receipt for the above-referenced patent application and noted an error made by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

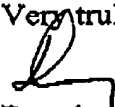
Applicants would like the following correction to be made on the Filing Receipt:

Correct the city of residence for Applicant Pedro Morales to read:
Tuttlingen-Nendingen

Copies of the 3rd page of the Declaration and Power of Attorney and page 2 of the Application Data Sheet sent to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on January 29, 2004 are enclosed evidencing the correct spelling of the city of residence for Applicant Morales. Also enclosed is a copy of the incorrect Filing Receipt, with the correction noted thereon.

Applicants respectfully request that the official records for the above application be changed to reflect the above correction, and that a corrected Filing Receipt be issued.

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